

NOTICE OF EMERGENCY RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION

AGENCY: Department of Marine Resources

STATUTORY AUTHORITY: 12 M.R.S.A. Sections 6172 and 6192

RULE REPEAL AND PROMULGATION: DMR Regulation 95.05 M, Closed Area No. 29-A, Owls Head, promulgated on May 5, 1999, is repealed and replaced with the following rule:

TEXT OF RULE: DMR Regulation 95.05 M, Closed Area No. 29-A, Owl's Head

1. Effective immediately because of pollution it shall be unlawful to dig, take or posses any clams, quahogs, oysters, or mussels taken from the shores, flats and waters of Owl's Head, Knox County, west of a line beginning at Ash Point and running northerly to Ginn Point; then continuing northeasterly to red navigational nun # "4" and continuing northeasterly to the green navigational can # "7" and then continuing northwesterly to the eastern most tip of Owls Head.

Violation of any provision of this regulation shall be a Class D Crime (12 M.R.S.A. Section 6204)

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 8, 2000

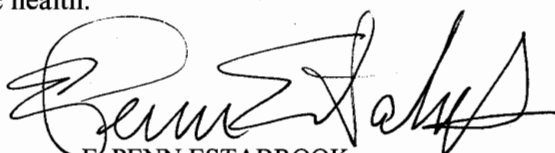
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December 14, 2000

STATEMENT OF FACT AND POLICY

The commissioner of the Maine Department of Marine Resources repeals the emergency DMR regulation 95.05M, Closed Area No. 29-A, Owls Head, promulgated on May 5, 1999 and enacts a new regulation. This new regulation reduces the size of the closed area by opening the area around Monroe and Sheep Islands to shellfish harvest.

Department personnel have surveyed and sampled the waters in this area and determined that this new open approved area is safe for shellfish harvest. The remaining closed area is subject to biological pollution and could pose a threat to public health.



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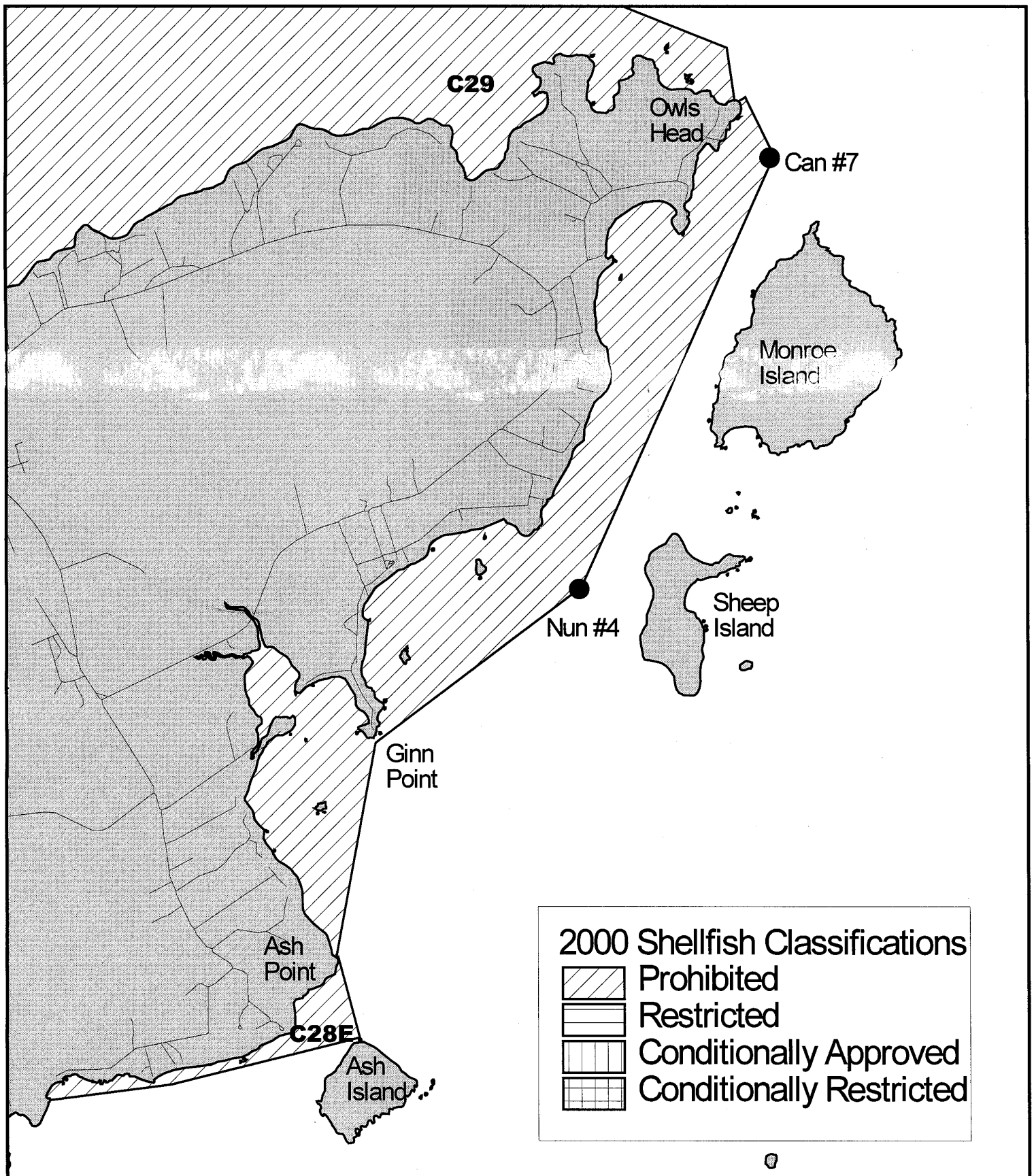


Maine Department of Marine Resources

Legal Notice of Shellfish Closure Area

C29A Owls Head

12/8/00



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